

Sparks fly at Council meeting Monday

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Sidewalk and street repairs are fixing the cracks around town, but they're also leaving gaps in the city's budget.

The City Council meeting Monday night brought up construction cost issues of local streets and sidewalks.

Owner of A&G Restaurant George Groumoutis was the first to confront the Council on this issue.

According to Groumoutis, a sidewalk was constructed outside of his property with the assumption that he would have to be reimbursed by the

city. Groumoutis was told that he was to wait until after Oct. 1 for the funds to be available for the reimbursement.

Groumoutis said he went in for the money at the beginning of October but was met with opposition after the city learned that the amount to be paid back was \$3,000.

According to Public Works Director Greg Decker, paying this back would wipe out nearly one-third of the sidewalk program's budget.

Decker struggled with the notion of paying the money back due to the unusually large amount of space the sidewalk covered.

"The sidewalk program is a replacement program, not a build-a-

sidewalk program," Decker said. "Normally, sidewalks are 20 to 30 feet, but, in this situation, it included a corner lot which made the area a lot more."

Groumoutis said he was never given a limit on the amount of sidewalk he could install in order to receive a full refund.

The Council reviewed both sides and decided to allow Groumoutis a full refund due to the lack of specific guidelines.

The city will now be left with approximately \$6,000 of the initial \$10,000 for the rest of the year.

Decker was next to express concern regarding the care of local streets.

According to Decker, the poor construction of streets within new subdivisions is costing the city more than it should.

"We're spending a lot of money on streets that are only two to three years old," Decker said. "What's it going to be when these streets are 15 to 20 years old? Something needs to be done."

According to Decker, the companies constructing these streets are only responsible for their care for one year. Decker believes this number of years should be raised or an inspection process should be enacted.

The Council asked Decker to look into the situation further and com-

pare Maryville to surrounding cities to look for further options.

The Council also requested more information from another individual present at the meeting, Jim Robinson, regional general manager for Cebridge Connections, formerly Classic Cable.

Robinson attended the meeting to present the Council with information on what the name change may mean for Maryville.

Robinson spoke of the possibility of new networks, an explosion in program diversity, and new regional and local programming.

He also announced that, with the presence of the new company, fewer cable problems have been reported in

the area.

Thompson questioned the truth in this statement. According to Thompson, the reason there are fewer problems is because no one answers the phone at the business to find out what is occurring.

Thompson also confronted Robinson on the poor quality of local channels.

"We have had a consistent problem since we've been involved with Classic," Thompson said. "This has been going on for several years now."

Robinson said he was aware of the problem, but he was not able to provide any type of solution at that time.

Food Factor winner drinks own throw up to secure competition

By BURNEA COTHRINE
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Desperate times calls for desperate measures.

Freshman Alyssa Lindahl knew this and had no problem going to the extreme of drinking her own vomit in RHA's Food Factor Monday night.

"Had there been chunks, it would not have happened," Lindahl said. "Had there been color, it would not have happened, but it was clear with a few Wasabi peas. It actually wasn't that bad."

RHA's Food College Residents Eating Well committee, known as Food CREW, put together Food Factor, in which eating was turned into a competition.

"We put this event on to get everyone to realize that RHA is out there," said Abby Galbraith, chair of Food CREW. "We just wanted to have fun and, for the people that thought they knew their limits, actually test them."

Food Factor consisted of three rounds. The first round was called The Shots. The shots were a series of mixed food and condiments, including goats milk, vinegar, pureed Brussels sprouts and asparagus, egg whites, vegetable oil, vanilla extract, marinade, coffee creamer, soy sauce and tabasco sauce.

The tabasco sauce was not a problem for freshman Cody Johnson.

"When I was a little kid and would curse in front of my par-

ents, they would give me a tablespoon of tabasco sauce," Johnson said. "I didn't have a problem taking shots. I just had to shut off my mind and picture it as something else."

According to Lindahl, the shot round wasn't so bad until they had to eat the pureed Brussels sprouts and asparagus.

"I was shaking," Lindahl said. "That green sickness almost got me. The other shots were easy because they were liquid, but the green sickness was thick. I tried to think applesauce, but it didn't work."

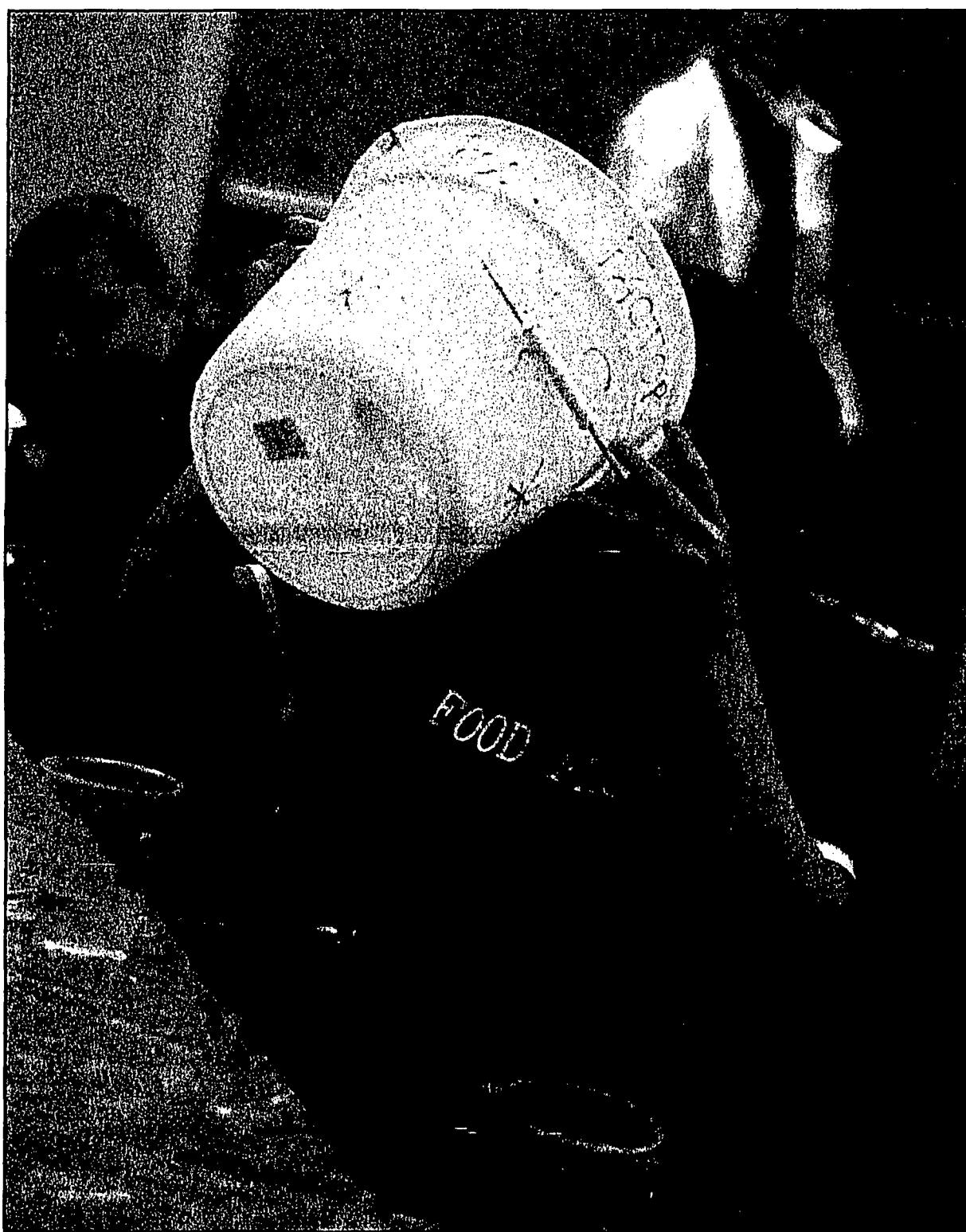
The Second round consisted of the Salt Water Dinner. Semi-rotten bananas, sauerkraut, horseradish, relish, a cup of hot wasabi peas and a glass of salt water induced explosive behavior from the students as they vomited out green slime.

"It was surprisingly not bad," Lindahl said. "It could've been worse."

Gummy worms baked into a cornbread, oatmeal and onion pie made up the third round. Each student participant had to rummage through the pie and eat five gummy worms to win.

After taking shots, eating rotten food and pulling out five worms from the cornbread mix, Alyssa Lindahl took home the \$50 Bearcat Bookstore gift certificate grand prize.

"I lost a little bit of self worth," Lindahl said. "But it was a good time, and I met some cool people."



Alyssa Lindahl goes to the extreme by voluntarily drinking her own vomit in order to make it through the second round of Food Factor on Monday night. Participants had to take shots of random liquids, eat a "saltwater" meal in 20 minutes and, lastly, find gummy worms in an oatmeal, cornbread and onion pie using only their mouths. The event was sponsored by the Residence Hall Association.

Administrators look to future

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
CHIEF REPORTER

When dissecting the endless angles of Missouri's budget problems, two words come to mind: fear and optimism.

And even though the two words are like comparing fire and ice, both can be used in describing how Northwest administrators and universities across the state feel.

"If the projections are even close to being accurate, (the Missouri budget crunch) is going to have an impact on us," said Kent Porterfield, vice president of Student Affairs. "But we're in better shape than maybe any other university in the state."

Even though Northwest may be in good position for possible cuts, the fact that the state's shortfall is projected at \$400 million to \$1 billion is a concern.

"I don't know what's going to happen, especially if it's the second number," Porterfield said.

Those feelings have been expressed throughout the administration, but one word that has not been used a lot is the word "program cuts."

"We've never discussed cutting any programs in any planning meetings or in any Cabinet meetings," President Dean Hubbard said. "That doesn't mean cuts couldn't happen. We've cut 40 programs since I've been here, but we've added a lot, too. We try to cater to the needs of the students." Please see "Administrators" page 2A

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Student regent search enters next phase

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER
CHIEF REPORTER

After serving his two-year term as student regent, Paul Klute will be handing over the position to one of the students who applied this week.

The next step for applicants is to be interviewed by a panel of faculty, staff and students.

Once the panel has narrowed the applicants to three, Gov. Bob Holden will conduct an interview with each candidate. Holden will then select the new regent by the middle of the spring trimester.

"(The student regent position) is as much work as you want to make it," Klute said. "The main focus is to get feedback from the students and relaying it to the Board of Regents. There's no set pavements."

President Dean Hubbard said Klute has raised the bar for future student regents.

"Paul has been unusually effective as the student regent by conducting surveys to get student feedback," Hubbard said.

Hubbard said the main duties of the student regent are to attend Cabinet meetings as well as one-on-one meetings.

"There's always things that comes up, and we want to know what the students think about them," Hubbard said.

The only requirements for the regent are that they must be a sophomore and a Missouri resident.

Trick-or-treaters to fill downtown tonight

By SARAH SWEDBERG
CHIEF REPORTER

Ghost, ghouls, witches and goblins will be lurking the streets of Maryville tonight in celebration of Halloween.

Children and parents will dress in costumes and scatter themselves throughout downtown Maryville for the Eighth Annual Downtown Trick-or-Treat Night.

Costumed children, parents, relatives and interested spectators can trick or treat tonight from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Event organizer Kathy Rice said several parents choose to participate in this event.

"It's a way of doing the old-fashioned trick or treating," Rice said.

Rice said more than 600 children attended the event last year, and she expects more to

attend this year.

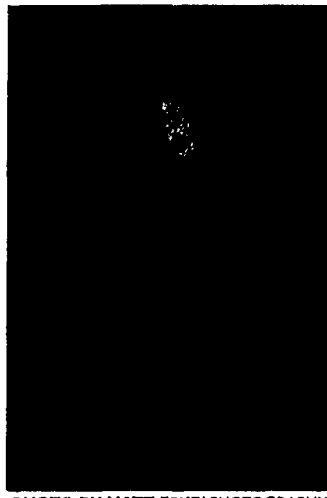
"This should be our biggest year yet," Rice said. "Everyone is making an effort to do this."

Forty Maryville businesses will stay open late to hand out treats to kids.

The First Christian Church will not only give away candy, but parents can walk away with a mystery gift. They will also have a special guest for the kids. As part of the church's "Veggie Tales" theme, vegetable superhero Larry Boy will make an appearance.

The downtown trick-or-treat is a good way for Maryville businesses like First Christian Church to inform families about the services they offer, Lisa Smeltzer said.

But what businesses look forward to the most is seeing the kids dressed in a wide variety of costumes, Rice said.



Jessica Lutz, a third-grader at Horace Mann, poses as a pop-star diva trick-or-treater. Downtown businesses will distribute Halloween candy tonight.

Town wins Betterment award

By SARAH SWEDBERG
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Even though Duane Hersh died six weeks ago, his leadership in Maryville continues to be recognized. His wife Alice accepted the adult leadership award Monday night at the Missouri Community Betterment Awards Ceremony on his behalf.

"It was hard, but I was honored because I thought he really deserved it," Alice said.

Executive Director of the Greater Maryville Chamber of Commerce Lisa Luke said it was a bittersweet moment when Alice received the award for him.

Alice said he would have been honored to have received the award.

She also said her husband did know he received a certificate from the Missouri Community Betterment judges in September recognizing his leadership.

Maryville received a second place award overall, and the youth placed first in category VIII out of eight categories.

Each community was separated into eight categories based on population. Other communities in category VIII included Clinton, Kirksville, Chillicothe, Bolivar and Fulton.

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Administrators look to future

One program that was cut two years ago was the French degree program. According to Provost Taylor Barnes, each program goes through the same process.

"If we have programs showing decline in their attractiveness to students and the inability to serve students, we need to look and see how that fits into our mission."

While the French program may not have been in high demand, Barnes said the University is trying to create programs that are in demand.

"Departments that continue to be agile and continue to be innovative will continue to flourish," Barnes said.

Not only is Northwest facing tough decisions about academic programs, but universities across the state are asking the same questions.

"It's tough, and we do the best we can," said Jeanne Phelps, assistant vice president for Academic Affairs at Southwest Missouri State University. "We haven't cut any programs, and no people have lost their jobs. But we're to the bone now, and the only way we can keep both of those things true is if we raise tuition."

Missouri Southern State University in Joplin is in the same boat as SMS, as they have kept all of their faculty and programs intact, according to Interim Vice President Betsy Griffin.

"We're being very cautious in any expenditures and carefully looking to see if we need to replace the people who have retired recently," Griffin said.

With flashbacks of the budget situation from two years ago reappearing in administrators' minds across the state, the question of how important higher education is to Missourians remains to be seen.

"Two years ago, they did deeper cuts," Griffin said. "I believe there is a recognition that higher education is important for the state."

Phelps does not feel all Missouri residents and legislators support higher education.

"I think (the future of higher education) is in the hands of the legislators," she said. "The public support for higher education has declined, but I think students need to petition it more. The way to do that is to see if your legislator is in support of higher education or not."

While the appropriations to Northwest are still up in the air, Ray Courter, vice president of Finance, is confident things will improve.

"We have so many programs that are so strong, and that's why we take such an approach to the academic budget," Courter said. "It's my sense that strong attention (to academics) will remain."

Despite all of the questions surrounding the Missouri budget and the future of Northwest, Porterfield is hopeful things will get better.

"I still believe we'll find a way to fund a good education," he said. "But anyone who listens to the news has to be fearful."

Stay tuned.



PHOTO BY MATT FRYE/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Lindsey Frerking, Andy Turner and Taya Moore are all currently representatives for renowned business organizations. The students' accomplishments have garnered a lot of attention.

Things looking up for business students

Lindsey Frerking, Andy Turner and Taya Moore go above and beyond normal student load

By RILEY HUSKEY
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Three Northwest students who already bear an unusual amount of responsibility are adding even more to their plates this year.

Peer Adviser Lindsey Frerking, Resident Assistant Andy Turner and high school volleyball coach Taya Moore know a little bit about time management as they are all representatives for prestigious organizations.

"If you want something done, ask the busy person—they'll get it done," said Nancy Zelfiff, associate professor of computer science and information systems. "What I appreciate most about these students is their strong interest in professionalism at this point in their academic careers. They're not even out of college yet, but they're bettering themselves for the careers that lay before them."

Lindsey Frerking is a regional student representative for the North Central National Business Education Association. Serving a one-year term, she is the voice for the eight north central

states. Her main role in the organization is to encourage student membership by sending out student newsletters and postcards to business education students throughout this region.

The NBEA is the nation's largest organization dedicated to serving individuals and groups engaged in instruction, administration and research for and about business. NBEA is committed to enhancing its members' professional growth and development.

"They really wanted my opinion and listened to what I had to say," Frerking said. "Not only do you get to let professionals know what you're facing as business education majors, you get good advice and first-hand experiences."

Andy Turner is a student representative of the state version of NBEA, Missouri Business Education Association. He attends three conventions around the state a year and actually serves as an ambassador at these events.

"From handing out nametags to introducing speakers, Andy does a lot to help out at every convention," Zelfiff said.

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Taya Moore is a National Council student representative for Pi Omega Pi, the National Business Education Teaching Honor Society.

She has a two-year elected position, and her main responsibilities include attending the national council convention once annually and writing national newsletters for Pi Omega Pi.

"The students' involvement in these organizations is valuable," Zelfiff said. "They get to experience the field they're going into firsthand, and the experience as a whole boosts self-esteem."

In 10 of the last 12 years, Northwest has had student representatives in these organizations. Zelfiff and her students will be attending national meetings in Chicago in the spring of 2004.

"When you're as involved as these students are, you have to make priorities," Zelfiff said. "I myself make piles. Whatever is due today, I do; whatever is due tomorrow, I keep on moving."

Hudson Hall plays matchmaker with Date Auction last night

By GINNY FRANCIS
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The lights were dimmed, and the crowd was rowdy in the basement of Hudson Hall last night.

Members of Hudson Hall Council sponsored their first ever date auction to provide entertainment for the student body and raise money for hall improvements.

Dan Novelli, one of the Council's programming chairs, said the idea was brought up to allow

residents more interaction with one another.

"Hopefully, tonight's auction will build some type of camaraderie among the people participating and a chance to meet someone new," Novelli said.

Bids began at \$5 for each person and increased in dollar increments. The highest bidder for each person received a "date package," which included certificates that ranged anywhere from free bowling passes to cash.

Joe Harris received \$41 in bids, the highest at the auction.

His bid helped contribute to the



PHOTO BY LAURA CADY/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Josh Odson takes bids for Darcy Linn at the Hudson Date Auction on Wednesday night. "It was great to find a way around that prostitution loophole," Odson said.

total amount of \$155 raised for Hudson Hall.

Josh Odson, emcee and co-programming chair for Hudson Hall Council, said the monthlong

preparation for the auction was worth the wait.

"Events like these are always fun, especially when you have a good crowd," he said.

South Complex takes home gold

By MIKAELA KOILE
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Cheers echoed throughout the Recreation Center Tuesday as students cheered on residence hall residents in the first Hall Olympics. Students participated in five events ranging from volleyball to a 3-legged race.

"We are hoping to bring people to the fitness center to encourage them to work out and to bring more awareness to their physical health," said Brandon Stanley, adviser for the health and fitness committee of Residence Hall Association. "We really want people to pay attention to their health, especially with the holidays coming

up."

Josh Hoover, freshman public relations major, said that the Hall Olympics gave him a new sense of hall pride.

"It was a good time to hang out with friends and the chance to be competitive gave me a newfound self respect," Hoover said.

Residents of South Complex placed first in the Hall Olympics, winning a DVD player that can be rented by the students.

"We really like to encourage our residents to be physically fit and enjoy giving the chance for fitness center improvements," said Stanley.

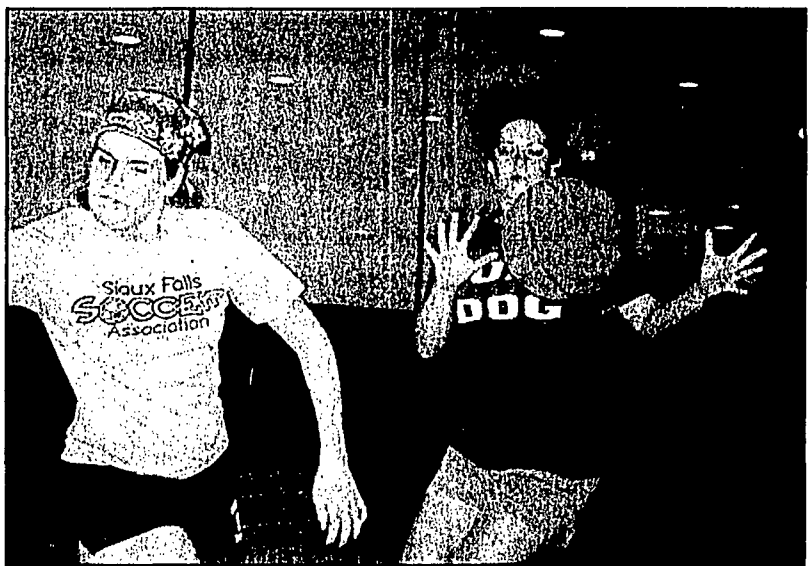


PHOTO BY AARON BAILEY/UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR
Kristen Kaufmann and Jaryn Jones square off in a basketball shoot-out during the Hall Olympics Tuesday night. South Complex won the competition and the DVD player grand prize.

University Events

Thurs. 30 ■ Halloween Costume Contest and Dance, 10 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Student Union Ballroom

Fri. 31 ■ Halloween ■ Haunted House, 6-8 p.m. for children; 8-10 p.m. for students, Douglas Hall ■ Peer Education meetings/training ■ Karl MacDade Ceramic Sculpture exhibit closes, Olive DeLuce Arts Gallery

Sat. 1 ■ Fall Visit Day, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. ■ HALO La Fiesta Latina, 7 p.m. Student Union Ballroom

Sun. 2 ■ No events

Moh. 3 ■ Steve Mays 3-D illustration exhibit opens, Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Gallery ■ Steve Mays guest slide lecture/reception, 7 p.m., Fine Arts 244 ■ IM wallyball play begins, 6:30 p.m.

Tues. 4 ■ Election Day

Wed. 5 ■ Modern Languages Day

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Trauma teaches students safety

By LIZZI SEXTON
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

A traumatic car crash in high school left Penny Lorenz-Bailey, a cheerleader and track runner, paralyzed from the waist down.

"It's really awkward," Lorenz-Bailey said. "My legs feel that numbing, burning sensation all the time."

On Tuesday, the students of St. Gregory's Catholic School listened closely as this survivor of a traumatic spinal cord injury spoke on behalf of Think First, a program that increases knowledge of trauma prevention and promotes safety.

"Using your mind to protect your body is a message I don't think you can hear about too much," Lorenz-Bailey explained. "People just like you can make bad choices that you have to live with the rest of your lives."

Chad Burton, former champion wrestler who was not wearing a seatbelt when he crashed his car and received a traumatic brain injury, joined Lorenz-Bailey at the assembly. After emerging from a 39-day coma, damage to the right side of his brain left his other side paralyzed.

Burton had to learn how to do everything using one hand. While demonstrating, he explained that tying his shoe took two years to relearn.

By day, Burton, 28, teaches safety throughout Missouri and works from 4 p.m. until midnight at Wal-Mart in Columbia.

"Although it is like having two jobs," Burton said, "it's important that people learn from me being an example of not buckling up or thinking it could never happen to them."

Car, bicycle and pedestrian safety was also stressed.

Extinguisher entertains



PHOTO BY JOE KNUST/CHIEF REPORTER
Dan Sullivan of Chemistry and Physics on Wheels (CAPOW) demonstrates the chemical reaction upon the releasing of carbon dioxide out of a fire extinguisher. Sullivan talked about things ranging from always wearing your seatbelt to being able to do whatever you want when you grow up.

Students wear red to say no

By SARAH SWEDBERG
CHIEF REPORTER

Some Maryville students this week celebrated National Red Ribbon Week with themes to promote saying no to drugs.

Students at St. Gregory's Catholic School participated in a week full of activities centering around their main theme, "Shoot for the Stars Not Drugs."

National Red Ribbon week began last Thursday, and it concludes today. The purpose for many Maryville students, like St. Gregory's Student Council member Courtney Cohen, is to promote a drug-free life.

"(The week) tells people you should not do drugs," Cohen said. "It warns us about the dangers of drugs."

Cohen said the week's activities put fun into a normal week of school.

Both Cohen and Jennifer Seipel, another Student Council member, said their favorite day of the week was "Drugs are Unbearable," because they could bring a stuffed animal to school.

Some of the other activities St. Gregory's Student Council planned for the week included "Blast Away Drugs," where students listened to guest speaker Dan Sullivan from the University of Nebraska-Omaha. Sullivan talked to students about the consequences of mixing chemicals together. Students also wore caps to school for "Put a Cap on Drugs" Day, and today, they will end Red Ribbon Week with fall parties.

Most importantly, students wore red ribbons or wristbands to support living a healthy, drug-free life.

Music may mean money for students accepted into All-State choir

By JESSICA SWARTZ
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Jessica Schulte grew up around music all of her life. As one of the few students chosen for the All-District and then the All-State Choir, she has an opportunity to use her background in music to carry her into the next stage of her life.

"My parents are so proud," said

Schulte, a Maryville High School junior. "My mother is a pianist. I've grown up with a lot of music in my life."

While this is Schulte's fourth year of being nominated for All-State Choir, this is only the first time she's been elected in the junior and senior division. The prestige of being selected for All-State gives students the opportunity for further endeavors.

"This definitely improved my chances

at getting a scholarship," Schulte said. "I'm looking into teaching music. It's going to remain a big part of my life."

The annual All-District Competition preceded the All-State selection process. It was held last Saturday at Platte County High School.

Out of 430 students, 160 were chosen, and 16 of those selected for All-District attend Maryville.

"It's exciting for a school of our size,"

said Marilyn Rhea, Maryville music teacher. "It's a nice little chunk of students."

Northwest alumna Elise Pointer worked with Rhea to direct the All-District Choir.

"I had a wonderful time, and the kids did wonderfully," Pointer said. "I enjoy spreading the joy and passion of music."

The music teacher estimated that

only about 2 percent of those who had participated in districts would sing for the All-State Choir.

Along with Schulte, three other students were selected from Maryville.

"The All-State experience is life-changing for the kids," Rhea said. "It's a lot of hard work, a lot of preparation, a lot of stress."

The All-State competition will be held Jan. 22 through Jan. 24.

Donors respond to need



PHOTO BY LAURA CADY/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Michael Dunlap gets blood taken by Nurse Dee Hoover at the Blood Drive last Friday. "This is my first time giving blood," Dunlap said, "I was scared at first, but I'm happy to do it."

Ghosts, goblins show up early for youngsters

By JANELLE DAVID
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

With visions of goblins and ghouls and aspirations for candy and fun, area children scampered to an annual Halloween celebration.

Lil' Goblins: Arts and Crafts took place for children ages 3 to 5 from 9 to 11 a.m. last Saturday at the Maryville Community Center.

"Obviously, we want the kids to have fun and get in the festive spirit, but we also want to bring out their creative side and see what we can get out of them," said Ben York, Northwest senior and coordinator. "Most of the time, kids are really shy, and it's hard to get them to open up."

The day consisted of several games. Musical Pumpkins, similar to Musical Chairs, featured Halloween tunes, such as the "Ghostbusters" theme song.

Participants also raced to pop balloons filled with treats in the Candy Balloon Pop game.

Story time involved ghostly tales



PHOTO BY MATT FRYE/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Lil' Goblins event coordinator Sherry Burchett embraces Miyu Tabata during a game of "Who will be my goblin?" The game was one of several arts and craft events offered Saturday.

and an interactive pop-up book. After reading the stories, the kids decorated a cookie with an assortment of frosting and sprinkles.

Parents felt the event went smoothly and provided fun activities for the children.

"It's nice to have this for the under-age kids because they don't have a lot of things in Maryville for that age group," said Shelly Hersch, one of the participant's parents. "Snack time was great because (my son) Coby loved playing with and eating the frosting. The crafts were good, too, because they were simple enough for the kids to do with a little help."

Coby Hersch, 3, said he enjoyed the Candy Balloon Pop most of all.

The program was organized by students at Northwest. Sherry Burchett, senior, recruited her Evaluation of Leisure Services classmates to coordinate the holiday celebration.

Providing the event for the community also fulfilled their class project requirement.

"I think it went pretty well considering none of the group members have facilitated the program in the past," Burchett said. "Everything came together, and I think the kids had a lot of fun."

Community events

Thurs 30	■ Halloween/Fall Party Eugene Field Elementary ■ Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences Middle School and High School
Fri 31	■ Halloween ■ No School Parent/Teacher Conferences
Sat 1	■ All Saints Day ■ Memory Day Mass St. Gregory's Church 9 a.m.
Sun 2	■ All Souls Day ■ Annual Soup and Chili Supper, Hope Lutheran Church 4:30 to 7 p.m.
Mon 3	■ Last day of Book Fair Maryville Middle School
Tues 4	■ Maryville High School Vocal/Fall Concert Charles Johnson Theater
Wed 5	■ Open Studio Tour Main Post Office

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Another Florida folly

The debate over Terri Schiavo's right to die leaves unanswered questions regarding legislators' awareness of checks and balances

Yet another controversial legal battle over the right to life has hit the forefront. This time, however, the circumstances are different.

In a highly publicized legal battle that has captivated the nation, the Florida legislature and Florida Gov. Jeb Bush rushed to enact a law last week designed specifically to save the life of 39-year-old Terri Schiavo.

Schiavo has spent the last 13 years in what doctors refer to as "a persistent vegetative state" since her heart stopped in 1990 because of a chemical imbalance. While her eyes are open and she appears responsive, doctors also say she has no consciousness.

The bill was hastily written less than a week after a judge ordered Schiavo's feeding tube removed at the insistence of her husband, Michael Schiavo, who argues his wife had told him she would rather die than be kept alive artificially. However, her parents, Bob and Mary Schindler, insist that, despite being in a virtual conscious coma, she could recover—even after 13 years in her current state.

And thanks to an action by the legislature that we at *The Missourian* believe shows blatant disrespect for the courts as well as the constitution, Terri Schiavo remains alive. Technically.

Of course, there are two sides to every story, and this is no exception. The motivations of Michael Schiavo—who has a girlfriend with whom he has a child—are questionable. He is now a millionaire thanks to a malpractice case against his wife's gynecologist and will not say whether there is an outstanding life insurance policy on his wife.

However, Terri Schiavo's right to die is, in this case, not the issue in question. It's that of the actions by Florida lawmakers.

The extremely narrow bill is limited to cases in which the patient left no living will, is in a persistent vegetative state, has had nutrition and hydration tubes removed and where a family member has challenged the removal.

Aside from further pending court hearings, that will more than likely hit the Supreme Court docket, it's covered its bases in blocking Schiavo a merciful death.

Although some concessions should be granted for Florida, a state that appears to have incurred some brain damage of its own, apparently the state's legislators, as well as its governor, didn't get the memo on the separation of powers, a foundation on which our country is built.

As any third-grade social studies student could tell you, the government is broken into three branches, executive, legislative and judicial. Each are designed to monitor each other's actions through a system we call, (say it with us, Florida) checks and balances. In this case, Florida lawmakers and Gov. Bush have not "checked" the courts. They've abused their power in order to perform a complete turnaround—and insult—of a judge's orders.

It's no surprise coming from the largely republican Florida legislature. With a history of defying and being at odds with the state's courts, they've previously fought over other tired issues including abortion laws and the death penalty.

Nevermind the hypocrisy in a state so eager to enforce a fetus' right to life that will not allow a full-fledged U.S. citizen exercise her right to die. The case here is that of using a human life for another political tennis match.

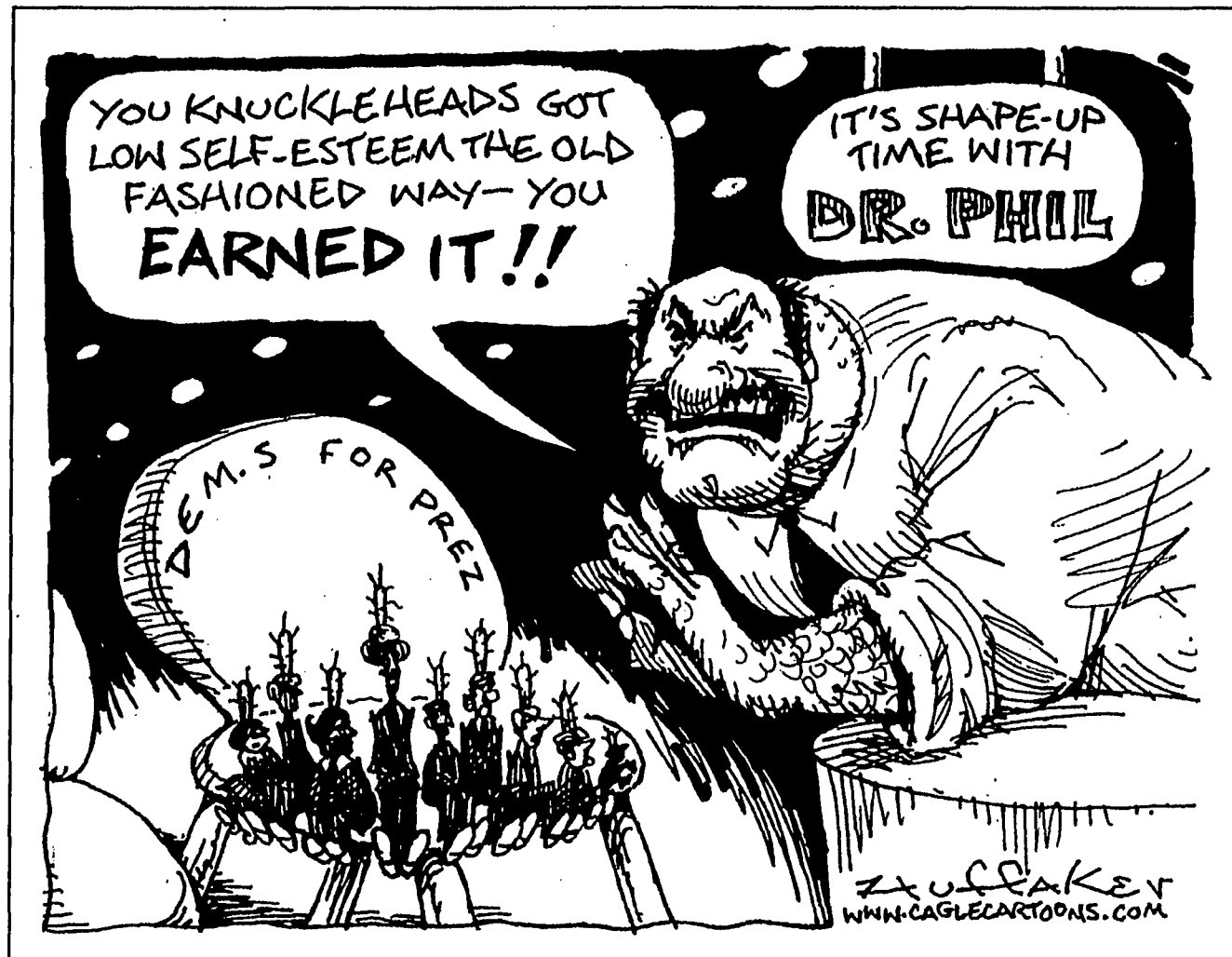
Sadly enough, it's a sickening trend in which far too many legislators—see: representatives of the people—have picked up on.

Need to vent?



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"I don't know about you guys, but there's something I can't resist about old guys—I mean really old guys—who get down to Nelly at The Outback."



Trucker hats and the dangers of apathy

In the past, college campuses have been places where movements were started and awareness was raised about critical issues.

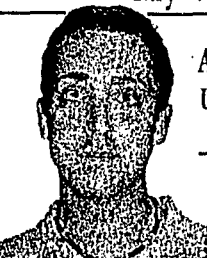
But what happened? It seems the only things we care about any more are trucker hats and what that more Jessica Simpson said on "Newlyweds."

I read in Betsy Lee's Oct. 16 article, "Students Through the Years," how Northwest students in the '60s stopped traffic on Highway 71 to protest the quality of cafeteria food. I couldn't help thinking how much things have changed and how little my generation not only cares about world issues, but also how much we know about them.

Sure, we've all seen those Amnesty hippies running around campus screaming about Guantanamo Bay, but the majority of the students (and likely, a few Amnesty members) probably think Guantanamo Bay is a clothing line. Don't get your pants in a bunch, Amnesty hippies. Your hearts are in the right place.

So what is it? Why don't we care anymore? Our generation was the first to grow up with the Internet—we

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AARON BAILEY
UNIVERSITY NEWS
EDITOR

know about news half a world away seconds after it happens. I think part of the problem is just that we're too plugged in. Just by logging onto CNN.com or the Drudge report, we're instantly flooded with unpleasant news. It's just easier to turn your cheek and check the weather or your horoscope.

But I think the bigger problem is our pop culture. We're so wrapped up in Xboxes and "Punk'd" that we don't even notice what's going on outside our personal circle.

What we're lacking is someone with a brain and a conscience in the pop culture spotlight. Do you really think any of these mullet rock bands care about anything besides their record

sales?

Consequently, we're so enamored with these celebrities that we think it's uncool to care. I seriously doubt we'll see Limp Bizkit raising awareness of the injustices being faced by the citizens of Zimbabwe anytime soon. Actually, Fred Durst probably thinks Zimbabwe is the name of that model he nailed on his last tour.

And don't get me started on the train wreck that hip hop has become. Besides some good efforts by Nas and a few others, the message modern rap puts out makes Chuck D look like John Lennon.

How that "bling-bling" crap even appeals to rap's core audience is a mystery to me. For most of the people who listen to rap, "bling-bling" is a \$30 bracelet from Wal-Mart and an all-you-can-eat dinner buffet at Red Lobster.

I mean, come on, people—let's wake up and take notice. Let's start thinking for ourselves and fight to have our opinions heard before everything good about America is stolen from us.

Anyway, I have to run—"Taidaters" is on in five minutes, giving me just enough time to check my fantasy football team.

Chiefs fans wasting hope on Super Bowl dream

After the Kansas City Chiefs' dominating performance Sunday night, talk radio has been filled with fans proclaiming the team has a shot to go undefeated.

Let me put this in my best Ross Gellar high pitched, pre-pubescent junior high voice: *what?!!?*

Sixteen and 0. You people have got to be kidding me. The Chiefs may be 8-0, and at least two of those victories have been won on Dante Hall returns that involved a clip that was not called.

Granted, it takes luck like that to make it through the season 16-0, but no one has done that since the 1972 Miami Dolphins, and there is a reason for that.

Free agency has changed the NFL landscape. Every week, any team is beatable. It does not matter if the Chiefs are playing the Denver Broncos or the Cincinnati Bengals.

The thing that gets me is how these Chiefs fans think they can just waltz into Denver in the 13th week and walk out with a victory.

By that time, quarterback Jake Plummer will be back, and the Broncos will also have had a chance to have

My View



BILL KNUST
EDITOR IN CHIEF

injured players heal up.

Another factor working against the Chiefs is the fact that every team will be gunning to give them their first loss.

Teams like the Oakland Raiders, whose playoff chances are nil, will view the Chiefs game Nov. 23 as their Super Bowl this season. It will also give them a chance to play the spoiler role against a hated rival.

So Chiefs fan might be saying, "I don't care if we go undefeated. We don't have to go undefeated to win the Super Bowl."

That is also true, but I am going to

say this once, so pay close attention: the Chiefs are not going to win the Super Bowl.

Go ahead; read that again. Shake your head in disbelief. Heck, go ahead and fire up your Gateway and blast me in a letter to the editor.

Here are three reasons why the Chiefs will not win the Super Bowl this season:

1. Playing playoff games in Arrowhead during December will not be a benefit. Just like the last two times the Chiefs have had home field advantage in the playoffs, the Chiefs will not benefit from the Arrowhead advantage.

In 1995 and 1997, the Chiefs played Division Championship matchups at Arrowhead and fell in both matchups. In those games they lost 10-7 and 14-10 respectively.

2. The Chiefs struggle to score points in December. As you can see in the two losses, they scored a combined 17 points. This will not bode well with possible matchups like the New England Patriots or Baltimore Ravens coming to Arrowhead.

The Ravens have a defense that gets stronger as the year goes on, and when the weather gets colder, it becomes tougher to throw the ball.

That will allow Ray Lewis and company to sit at the line of scrimmage and shut down Priest Holmes like they did earlier this season in Baltimore, despite losing to the Chiefs.

Patriots coach Bill Belichick is a defensive genius who can shut down any defense. I don't see any reason why the Chiefs would be an exception.

3. They are the Chiefs. They have not won a Super Bowl since Len Dawson was playing quarterback and Hank Stram was stalking the sidelines as head coach.

They have had the two best teams in football over the last eight years and lost their first game of the playoffs both times. Why should this year be any different?

The only thing that will change is the size of the hope you fans will have built up as the playoff season rolls around.

When the Chiefs lose, head coach Dick Vermeil will finally have a real reason to cry.

YOUR VIEW

Do you agree with Missouri's new Conceal and Carry law?



"I am not comfortable with the law, but I understand that we do have the right to bear arms. I would feel safer if the law had not passed."

Amy Miller
Industrial
Psychology



"I agree, yes. At the time I don't have a need for a gun because I'm in college. Back home, I hunt, and protection-wise, it's good to have."

Robbie Garber
Physical
Education



"No! Are we stupid? Does that just feed to the issue of violence? Duh!"

Lindsey Dixon
Elementary
Education



"I can't take either side on this issue because there are so many positive and negative aspects."

Diana Royer
Elementary
Education

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Northwest men place fourth at conference meet

Women place seventh as teams get two weeks to prepare for regionals

By ANDREW MADDEN
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Let the good times roll. Or run in the case of the Northwest men's cross country team's recent finish at the M I A A championships in Kirksville.



The men finished fourth in the meet, improving by two on last year's finish. However, it wasn't easy. "My main concern was to get out in front and form a pack," Northwest frontrunner and senior co-captain John Heil said. "Central (Missouri State University) surprised me and packed pretty tight."

The Mules did indeed pack tight as they edged Northwest

out for the third spot. Missouri Southern State University won the meet, followed by Truman State University, Central and Northwest.

Heil led the 'Cats in seventh place, which garnered him All-Conference honors with a time of 26:22. He was followed by another All-MIAA performer in senior Kyle Keraus, who finished in eighth place with a time of 26:42. Rounding out the top five for the men was senior Chad Fowler in 16th place with a time of 27:06, freshman Brian Touney in 28th place with a time of 27:25, and freshman Drew Wilson in 36th place with a time of 27:56.

The women exceeded expectations in their meet. They were seeded in last place coming in, but they finished in seventh place ahead of Emporia State University. The 'Cats were led by junior Ashley Grosse and freshman Megan Hamilton, both of whom ran personal bests in the race.

"A lot (Please see 'Harriers' page 4B)

'Hounds await rival

Senior Night includes a visit from 5-3 Savannah

By CLARK GRELL
DESIGN EDITOR

The last time a Maryville opponent saw the end zone was 13 quarters ago.

The 'Hounds have shut out their last three opponents, including a 40-0 win over the Midland Empire Conference's top offense, the Cameron Dragons, last Friday.

Savannah will try to do what no one has done since Platte County's Chris Hawkins did it on Oct. 3. That is to score a point.

The Savages will travel 30 miles north for another district showdown in the 'Hound Pound.

"The thing about us and Savannah is it is a rivalry game, so the records don't matter that much," head coach John Pelzer said.

The Savages are coming off a lopsided 51-6 loss to Chillicothe last week. But, despite the defeat, the Savages are still considered one of the MEC's most improved teams from a season ago.

"They run the offense pretty close to what Maryville used to run," senior running back Brant Gregg said. "It's a big rivalry game, so everybody will be ready to play."

(Please see 'Spoofhounds' page 3B)



PHOTO BY MATT FRYE/
PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR
Maryville's Ryan O'Connell hauls in a pass in the win over Cameron last Friday. The 'Hounds racked up 116 passing yards against the Dragons.

Game 9

Savannah Savages (5-3)
at
Maryville Spoofhounds (7-1)

Where: Hound Pound
Kickoff: 7 p.m.

Bottom line: The 'Hounds defeated Savannah 28-7 last season. Erick Auxler started the game at quarterback after an injury to former 'Hound Ryan Holman.

MORE INSIDE

Turn to page 3B to see how District 16 is breaking down and for more on the 'Hounds.

Despite 17-point lead at halftime, Northwest unable to hold off Western

By COLE YOUNG
SPORTS EDITOR

The first 30 minutes of Saturday's game, the Northwest football team showed glimpses of being the team they and their coaches know they can be.

The last 30 minutes and overtime gave the *Reader's Digest* version of how the season has really gone.

After jumping out to a 24-7 lead, the Bearcats seemed to be in control of the game, leaving Northwest faithful to prepare for the possibility of a blowout win against Missouri Western State College.

The only blemish for the Bearcats came when sophomore wide receiver Andre Rector had a pass bounce out of his hands and into the arms of Western's T.J. Barnett who proceeded to run 15 yards untouched for their only first half

SCORING BY QUARTER

Northwest	10	14	0	0	3-27
Western	7	0	3	14	6-30

-Western capped off a fourth-quarter comeback with a touchdown pass with 34 seconds remaining.

touchdown. Northwest had already seen one pass go the distance on their first offensive play from scrimmage; sophomore quarterback Josh Lamberson found senior wide receiver Adam Otte on a 71-yard touchdown. Going into halftime, it looked as though the Bearcats had the game comfortably in hand and that it was merely a formality before they boarded the bus with a win.

As Western took the field in the second half, they did so with sophomore Michael Cooper at quarterback. The change from the pocket passing freshman Kyle Westerberg to the mobile Cooper proved to be the change the Griffons needed.

Cooper led Western in rushing with 77 yards on just seven attempts.

His legs,

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Next up: Hickory Stick game against Truman

Bearcats aim to keep Hickory Stick in their possession Saturday at 1 p.m.

By COLE YOUNG
SPORTS EDITOR

Even though the Northwest football team may be all but eliminated from playoff contention, the Bearcats have plenty to play for with three games remaining in the season.

Heading into this weekend's matchup against Truman State University, the 5-3 Bearcats have the opportunity to not only finish 8-3 but also to play the spoiler role.

Before they can plan on ruining Pittsburg State University's trip to the playoffs, they have

to worry about Truman in the Old Hickory Stick game.

The Old Hickory Stick game dates back to 1931, when Northwest President U.W. Lamkin gave the 30-inch piece of hickory to Eugene Fair.

Both teams have battled for it ever since, making it the oldest trophy game in all of Division II football.

"We will talk a lot about (the stick) this week," head coach Mel Tjeerdma said. "We want the young guys to know what it's all about. To see the intensity and see how much it means to both teams is pretty exciting."

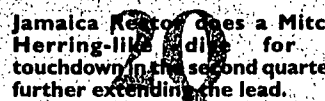
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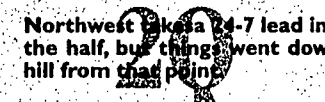
HOW IT BROKE DOWN



The Northwest defense celebrates after recovering a Western fumble in the first half.



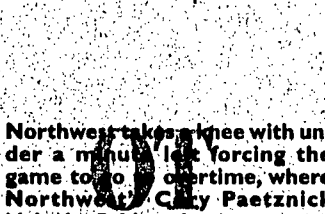
Jamaica Keeson goes for a touchdown in the second quarter further extending the lead.



Northwest takes a 24-7 lead into the half, but things went downhill from that point.



Griffon quarterback Michael Cooper entered the game in the second half and rushed for 77 yards on seven attempts.



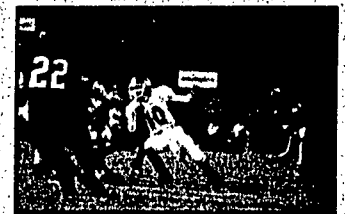
Lamberson is injured as time winds down in the fourth quarter.



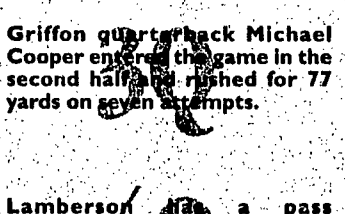
Northwest takes a knee with under a minute left forcing the game to go to overtime, where Northwest's Clay Paetznick kicked a field goal.

Northwest jumped out to an early 7-0 lead after sophomore quarterback Josh Lamberson found senior wide receiver Adam Otte for a 71-yard touchdown reception.

A mishandled pass by Andre Rector is intercepted and returned by the Griffons, giving them their only score of the first half.



A long run by quarterback Josh Lamberson is called back because of a penalty in the third quarter.



Lamberson is injured as time winds down in the fourth quarter.



Western's Mike Cooper scores the winning touchdown in the first overtime period.

PHOTOS BY MATT FRYE/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

Northwest blanked by Winona State at Bearcat Pitch

Bearcats prepare to play MIAA's second best, SBU

By JEROME BOETTCHER
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Bearcats continued their winless streak on Sunday as they dropped another close one to

visiting Winona State University. "I am disappointed that the girls didn't get a result that they deserved," Northwest head coach Tracey Cross said.

Winona State beat the 'Cats 1-0. The 'Cats record falls to 2-11-4.

For the first 44:44, the 'Cats kept the game scoreless. However, they gave up a goal to Winona State sophomore Amy Budish with 16

seconds left in the first half. Budish scored on a kick that went over Bearcat goalie Danielle Lawless' head. Lawless was playing at the top of the box.

"We tell her to come out," Cross said. "The timing was off in getting

back."

Cross doesn't believe that the goal deflated her team.

"We've actually come from behind in a couple of games, so that wasn't a factor," Cross said. "That's a good thing to say that, when your team is down a goal, I know they can come back."

The team did have plenty of chances to

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Winona St.
1
Northwest
0



Freshman midfielder Beth Gutschenritter rushes in for the stop of a Winona State player. Gutschenritter leads the team in goals this season with four.

PHOTO BY JOE KNUST/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Maryville soccer

The 'Hounds fell victim to the Cameron Dragons on Senior Day. See what head coach Stuart Collins thinks the team has to improve before the district tournament on page 4B.














Maryville golf

The 'Hounds golf team wrapped up a successful season. Find out what their head coach took from the season on page 5B.



Northwest volleyball

Wednesday night was the last night the spikers played a home match for the 2003 season. To find out how the Bearcats did against Pittsburg State University, turn to page 4B.

										
L 0-20	W 23-16	L 24-52	W 60-22	W45-14	W 16-13	W 47-14	L 30-27	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15
At South Dakota State Alumni Stadium, 7 p.m.	Minn.-St. Mankato Rickenbrode Stadium, 1 p.m.	Central Mo. State Rickenbrode Stadium, 1 p.m.	At Missouri-Rolla Allgood-Balley Stadium, 6:30 p.m.	Washburn Rickenbrode Stadium, 1 p.m.	At Emporia State Welch Stadium, 2 p.m.	Missouri Southern Rickenbrode Stadium, 1 p.m.	At Missouri Western Spratt Stadium, 1 p.m.	Truman State Rickenbrode Stadium, 1 p.m.	Southwest Baptist Rickenbrode Stadium, 1 p.m.	vs. Pittsburg State Fall Classic at Arrowhead, 2 p.m.

TALE OF THE TAPE



30.25	Scoring Offense	13.3
22.6	Scoring Defense	34.6
355.2	Total Offense	312.9
310.9	Total Defense	413.4
140.2	Rushing Offense	136.3
117.0	Rushing Defense	243.1
215.0	Passing Offense	176.6
193.9	Passing Defense	170.3
29:34	Time of Possession	30:23
12/17	Field Goals	7/12
24.26	Kick Return Avg.	20.4
8.03	Punt Return Avg.	10.5

AROUND THE MIAA

Last Week
MWSC 30 NWMSU 27;
PSU 49 MSSU 0;
WU 49 UMR 24;
CMSU 28 TSU 22;
ESU 20 SBU 9

This Week
TSU @ NWMSU 1 p.m.
CMSU @ WU 1 p.m.
ESU @ UMR 1 p.m.
SBU @ MSSU 2 p.m.
MWSC @ PSU 2 p.m.

Questions before last week's kickoff

1 Can Josh Lamberson prevent Pierre Thomas from having an interception?
Yes, despite throwing two picks, neither of them were to Thomas.

2 Will both teams combine to score more than 14 points?
Yes, in the first quarter alone.

Five for next week:

- How will Northwest rebound from their loss to MoWest?
- Will the injury to Lamberson affect the Northwest offense?
- Will the 'Hickory Stick remain in

the 'Ville another year?

- How will the defense respond to Truman's running game?
- Who will start as the "A-back" in Northwest's backfield?

TOP 25

Division II Top 25

1. Valdosta State (22).....	8-0
2. Saginaw Valley State (4).....	8-0
3. North Alabama.....	8-0
4. Texas A&M Kingsville.....	6-1
5. Central Oklahoma.....	7-0
6. Grand Valley State.....	7-1
7. Catawba.....	7-1
8. Indiana Pa.....	7-1
9. North Dakota.....	7-1
10. Pittsburg State.....	7-1
11. Carson-Newman.....	7-1
12. Emporia State.....	7-1
13. Central Missouri State.....	7-1
14. Winona State.....	7-1
15. Tusculum.....	7-1
16. Mesa State.....	7-1
17. North Dakota State.....	6-2
18. Nebraska-Omaha.....	7-2
19. Southern Arkansas.....	6-2
20. Bentley.....	8-0
21. Tarleton State.....	6-2
22. Delta State.....	6-2
23. Edinboro.....	6-2
24. Chadron State.....	6-2
25. Missouri Western.....	6-2

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Hickory stick up for grabs this weekend

had possession of the stick for six of the last seven years, but last year, on the return trip home, it nearly got lost.

On the Monday after the game, Tjeerdsma retrieved it from the team bus. "It is in the trophy case now," Tjeerdsma said.

The winner of the game gets the honor of painting the tip of the stick their team color.

Even with the Hickory Stick on the line, part of Northwest's focus is on the injuries of two of Northwest's key players.

Senior John Edmonds and sophomore Josh Lamberson both were injured in the fourth quarter against Missouri Western State College.

Edmonds spent the early part of the week with his arm in a sling, and Lamberson is wearing a protective sleeve. According to Tjeerdsma, Edmonds will be in the lineup this weekend.

Lamberson's status for the Truman game isn't as certain.

"I'm not going to play unless I can help the team," Lamberson said. "T.J. is a very capable quarterback. If he plays, he will go in there and do a great job. If I'm not 100 percent then T.J. is going to play."

After undergoing an MRI, it was determined he had no damage to his cartilage.

The ligaments around his knee caps were stretched and he received a deep bone bruise.

Right now, Lamberson said he is at about 55 percent.

With three games remaining in the season, Lamberson said it is time for the Bearcats to truly see what they are made of.

"We have to look in the mirror," Lamberson said. "We are still Northwest Missouri State football. have to play for You have to carry on that tradition now. We aren't accustomed to losing three

or four games like we have two of the last three years. We have to look in the mirror and play for all those other guys who have played here in the past. We also have to play for ourselves, and we're playing for pride."

BEARCAT NOTES

'Cats close in on records: Junior wide receiver Jamaica Rector and freshman kicker Corey Paetznick have both moved within striking distance of team records.

Rector is just three catches shy of the moving into the No. 1 spot in all-time receptions. The spot is currently held by Steve Hansley and Dan Anderson with 186 receptions apiece.

The standout wide receiver is also 55 yards short of the career mark in receiving yards. Tony Miles holds that record with 3,079 yards.

Paetznick is just six field goals shy of tying Eddie Ibarra's single season mark of 15. Paetznick is currently 9 for 10 after playing in only three games.

Named national scholar-athlete: Senior linebacker John Edmonds has been announced as one of 15 national scholar-athletes.

The accounting major is a three-time member of the MIAA Commissioner's Honor Roll and was a Second Team Academic All-District VII selection last year. He is also a member of Delta Mu Delta National Honors Fraternity.

Other athletes named among the 15 were Eli Manning, University of Mississippi; Renaldo Works, University of Oklahoma; and Craig Krenzle, Ohio State University.

For being named to the list, Edmonds will receive an \$18,000 post-graduate scholarship.

"Since 1959, these highly sought-after awards have recognized only a chosen few who have excelled above all in the areas of scholarship, citizenship and athletic performance," National Football Foundation Chairman Jon F. Hanson said.

The catch that could've been

Jamaica Rector's missed catch in overtime that would have given the Bearcats a touchdown and likely forced double overtime frame by frame.



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Northwest squanders halftime advantage

plus a 13 for 16 passing performance proved to be the keys to the Missouri Western comeback.

Cooper orchestrated three scoring drives in the second half to tie the score at 24.

Northwest had its chances in regulation, though.

At the start of the fourth quarter, the Bearcats had the ball in Western territory, but, on third down and short play, Lamberson had a pass intercepted.

His day would only get worse after that. Late in the fourth quarter, Lamberson took a hit to the knee that left him lying face down on Spratt Stadium turf for several minutes.

"I was scared," Lamberson said. "(I was) good friends with T.J. (Mandl) and (saw) what happened to him last season. Getting a knee injury is always a scary thing

because you don't know what's going on down there. I was a little scared about what was wrong with it."

Lamberson left the game but was replaced by junior T.J. Mandl. Mandl had only one play left in the drive before the Bearcats were forced to punt.

Going into overtime, the momentum, which at one point was obviously on the Northwest side, had switched to the Griffons.

In overtime, Northwest had the ball first, and after a dropped touchdown pass in the end zone, the Bearcats settled for a field goal.

On Western's first play from scrimmage, things fell apart for the Bearcats when Cooper scrambled 25 yards to give the Griffons a 30-27 win.

The loss dropped the Bearcats to 5-3 overall and 4-2 in the MIAA.

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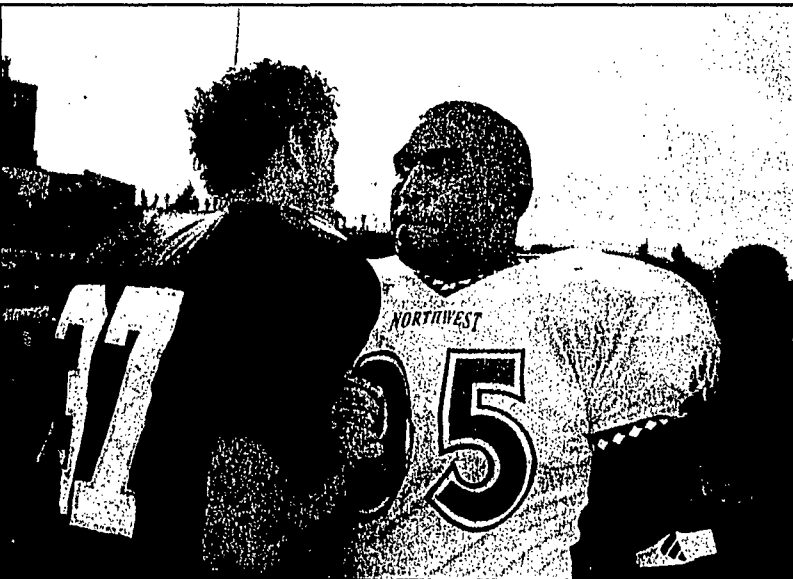
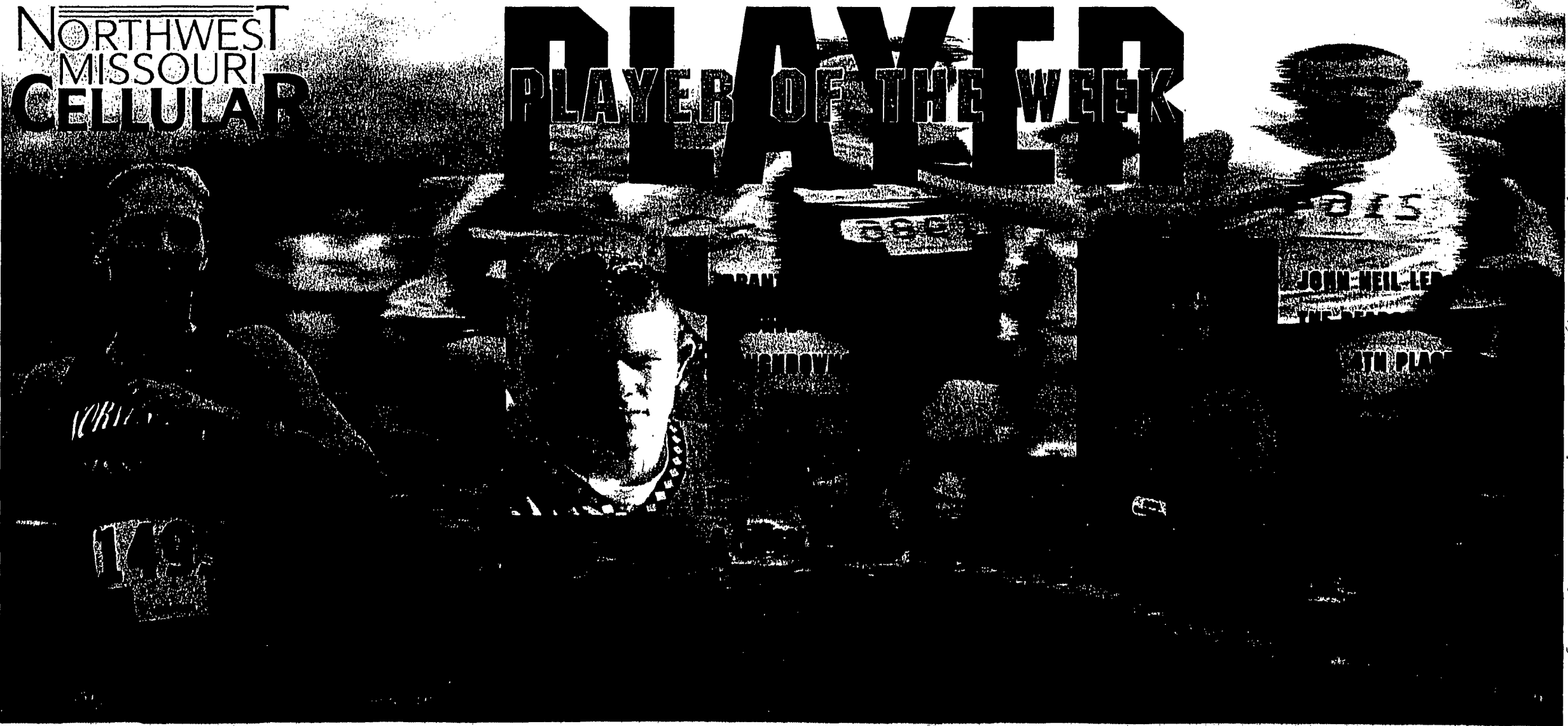


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Missouri Western's Tristan Blagg and Northwest's Justin Lacy embrace after Northwest's loss Saturday afternoon. The Bearcats are back in action on Saturday against Truman State.

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Inside**the Spoofhound huddle****MARYVILLE KICKS THE DOOR ON CAMERON**

Cameron went into last Friday's game against Maryville as the MEC's top offense. They came out of that game having been the fourth victim to be shut out by the 'Hounds this season.

Maryville came out of the game with a 40-0 win and remained in the running for a district championship.

"There was the build-up of their offense going up against our defense," head coach John Pelzer said. "I think our defense won the battle."

The Maryville offense showed glimpses of why it is one of the premiere offenses in the conference.

"Offensively, we rushed for more than 400 yards and passed for 116," Pelzer said. "So it was one of our biggest offensive games, too."

Senior running back Brant Gregg would have one of his best games of the season. He scored three touchdowns.

RUNNING BACKS ARE ROLLING

The Maryville rushing attack has been dominant all season. The team is coming off one of its best performances of the season against Cameron and has been led all season by senior running backs Brant Gregg and Bryce Buholt. The two will go into the Savannah game as two of the conference's top scorers and rushers.

Gregg said much of the credit goes to the players up front. Maryville has one of the most experienced offensive lines in the MEC with five seniors up front in Eric Wilmarth, Mickey Vest, Hans Plackemeier, Matt Nelson and Javen Spire.

"The key to the running game, as in any offense, is the offensive line," Pelzer said. "Those guys have been doing a good job of blocking."



PHOTO BY MATT FRYE/PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

Maryville defensive coordinator Brian Lohafer gathers the defense together between series of the 'Hounds' 40-0 win over Cameron Friday night. Maryville has shutout its last three opponents.

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Spoofhounds await rival 5-3 Savannah

Savannah gave up 300 yards rushing in the loss to the Hornets. That is not good news for the Savages considering they are playing a 'Hounds team that rushed for more than 400 yards against Cameron.

The 'Hound defense will try to contain Savannah running back Ben Wagers. The Hornets held him to 48 yards, but he has had big games this season. He rushed for 254 yards earlier this season against Benton.

"It's always a physical game with Savannah," Pelzer said. "It's a game where, the last two years, Maryville has gotten a player ejected out of both games, so it's a real cautious game for us. We need to be smart. We need to keep our mouths shut and play football."

A Maryville win means the 'Hounds are still on track to win a district championship. Chillicothe will meet Cameron in the other District 16 game Friday night. Wins by Maryville and Chillicothe would set up the district championship game and a trip to sectionals.

Pelzer said he would like to see improvements in the special teams area.

"Our kicking game has been an area we've had to work on all year," he said. "We're spending extra time this week on that because I believe special teams win championships, and if we're going to try to get ourselves ready for a championship, then we've got to be good in the special teams area."

Kickoff against Savannah is set for 7 p.m.

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Gregg

- Leads the team in rushing TDs and yards.

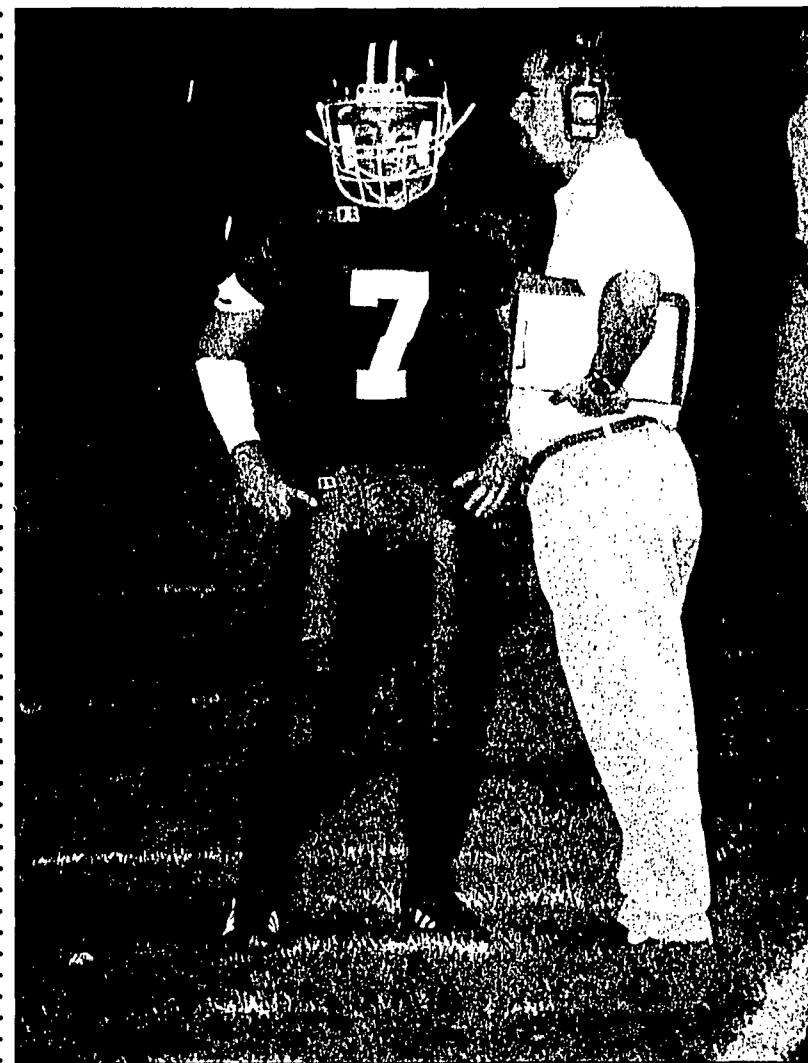


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Maryville head coach John Pelzer talks to senior quarterback Erick Auxier between plays of Friday's win over Cameron. Auxier is one of 23 seniors finishing their football careers as 'Hounds this year.

Players prepare for Senior Night

By CLARK GRELL
DESIGN EDITOR

The 'Hounds are one win away from a perfect home record, and the team wants nothing more than to end it with a win over rival Savannah.

For 23 seniors, it will be the last time they run down the hill onto the grass of the 'Hound Pound in a Maryville uniform. The 'Hounds have a shot at hosting another game at home, but it would not be until after sectionals. The 'Hounds still need to win districts and defeat the winner of District 15 to get to that point.

"It's Senior Night, and it's going to be emotional for our seniors and their parents," head coach John Pelzer said. "Twenty-three seniors is a lot of seniors, and they've all contributed greatly this year, so it's going to be a great deal."

Most of the seniors will be playing on the starting offense which features eight starting seniors, including the quarterback, running back and fullback positions.

Quarterback Erick Auxier and backfield mates Bryce Buholt and Brant Gregg have accounted for most of the 'Hounds offense this season.

The 'Hounds have been dominating at home this season to say the least. They

have outscored their opponents at home by an average of 25 points, and St. Pius X was the closest to playing them, losing by 22 points to the 'Hounds. Now, Savannah will look to find a way to defeat the 'Hounds on an emotional Senior Night.

"It's one of our last games as a 'Hound football player," Gregg said. "Hopefully, we come out and put up a win."

Pelzer said he hopes the seniors play well in their final scheduled home game.

"We're going to give all of our seniors an opportunity to play," Pelzer said. "They deserve to go out on their home field. They've really given us a great effort the last three years."

Twenty-three seniors will play their final game in the 'Hound Pound Friday night against Savannah.

2. Joseph Drake	36 Ryan O'Connell
3. Jared Sullivan	51 Javen Spire
4. Mike Meade	58 Vince Wiedersheim
6. Bryan Heckman	62 Cody Blackford
7. Erick Auxier	64 Troy Decker
17. Marc Meade	65 Mike Nelson
18. Robbie Lade	67 Eric Wilmarth
21. Taylor McClellan	68 Hans Plackemeier
26. Brant Gregg	69 Jon Reed
27. Jared Renfro	73 Mickey Vest
28. Bryce Buholt	75 Aaron Auten
33. Nate Cracraft	

**DISTRICT 16
OPPONENT CAPSULES****Savannah Savages**

Record: 5-3

This week: Maryville

Face the 'Hounds:
Oct. 31 at Maryville

Why they are dangerous: They have a running back in Ben Wagers who is capable of having big games. The Savages will be up for this game considering the 'Hounds are their rival.

Toe to toe with the 'Hounds: The Savages have played the 'Hounds tough the last couple of seasons. The Savages got down early last year but were able to hang with the 'Hounds in the second half.

Cameron Dragons

Record: 3-5

This week: Chillicothe

Face the 'Hounds:
Oct. 24, L 40-0

Why they are dangerous: The Dragons can throw as well as anyone in the MEC. Cameron isn't afraid to use four- and five-receiver sets.

Toe to toe with the 'Hounds: The Dragons want to forget the loss at Maryville, but it does not get any easier for them. The play Chillicothe this weekend, a team capable of shutting down the Dragon offense.

Chillicothe Hornets

Record: 7-1

This week: Cameron

Face the 'Hounds:
Nov. 7 at Chillicothe

Why they are dangerous: Savannah was no problem as the Hornets scored 21 points in the second and third quarters.

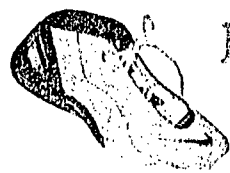
Toe to toe with the 'Hounds: The road to the playoffs last year hit a roadblock for Maryville when they faced off against the Hornets. As the season finale, this could likely prove to be the district championship as well.

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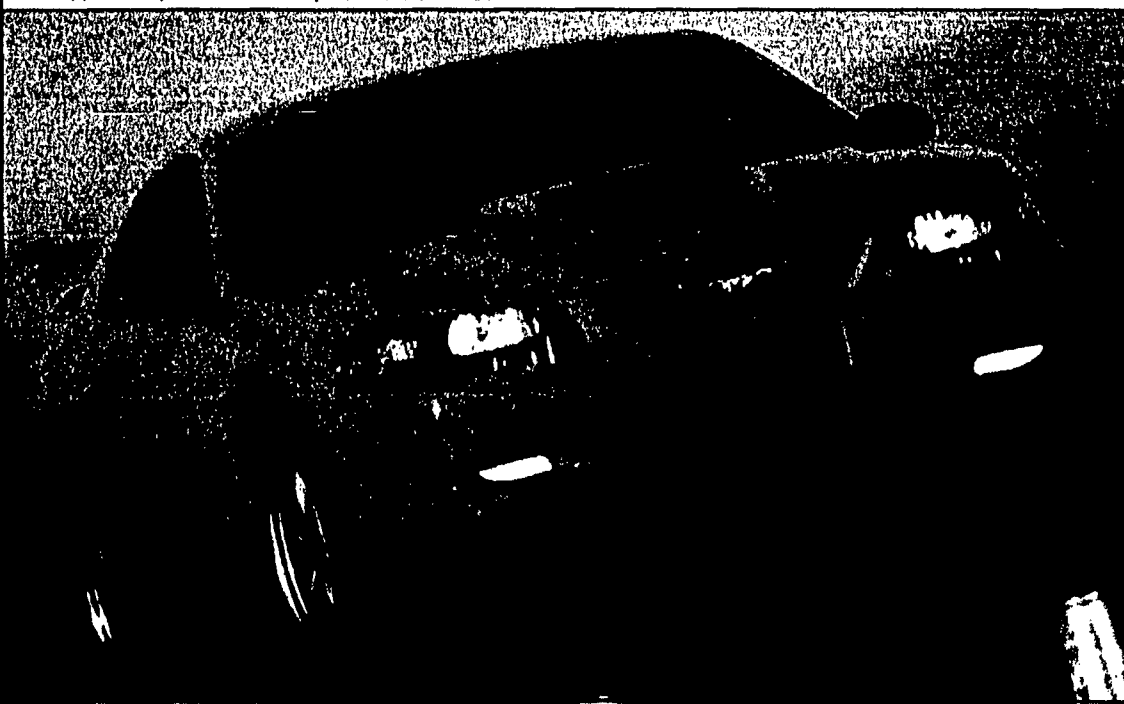
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Maryville falls to MEC foe Cameron in double overtime

By JEROME BOETTCHER
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Maryville High School boys' soccer team had 32 shots on Tuesday against Midland Empire Conference rival Cameron. Not one of them found the back of the net.

"We had so many shots, not enough on goal, and then, the ones we did shoot went right to the keeper," Maryville head coach Stuart Collins said. "(We) just can't afford that."

The team did not come away with a blowout. Instead they lost to Cameron 1-0 in double overtime. Cameron scored early in double overtime. They scored on a floater that went over the diving Brian Donnelly, 'Hounds' goalkeeper. It was one of the few times that the Dragons even got the ball down towards the goal. They had 12 shots, but 10 came after the first half.

Donnelly had been playing defense, but, for the past two games, he has been the goalkeeper.

"I'm just trying to switch things up and see if I can create some different opportunities," Collins said. "Donnelly is just a different style of keeper back there, and I'm just trying to mix things up, make things work."

Sophomore Ky Hill had been the goalie.

The team just could not seem to get the ball in the net. Senior captain Nic Zweifel had an opportunity to score on a rebound in the second half but chipped the ball over the open net. Sophomore Clay Ferguson had numerous chances to score. A couple went



PHOTO BY JOE KNUST/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Maryville senior Travis Smith goes after the ball in Tuesday's 1-0 loss to Cameron. The 'Hounds are back in action on Saturday in district play again against Cameron hoping to win the season series. Each team has won a game against the other.

off to the side or right to the Cameron goalie. Seniors Wes Wooten and Travis Smith and junior Dylan Cloepfl also had opportunities to score.

The 'Hounds defeated Cameron 6-2 earlier in the season, but Collins does not think the team overlooked Cameron.

"I think they really came to play soccer tonight," Collins said. "They

were excited; it was Senior Night. Everything was on except for our finishing. We just didn't have it tonight."

Maryville ends the regular season with a 5-11 record. By losing to conference opponent Cameron, they finished with a 2-3 conference record. However, the 'Hounds will play Cameron again. They will meet them in the opening round of dis-

tricts at 11 a.m. Saturday at Cameron.

Though the team goes into districts after losing a close game, Collins doesn't think they will be deflated.

"We're going to be up for the next game," Collins said. "I think they did enough tonight that we'll get fired up. I don't think these guys are going to let this thing ride."

Harriers fare well at conference meet

for a while," Grosse said. "We did all right with all of our injuries."

Those injured included freshman Heather Searles who had been a top five finisher for the 'Cats until recent weeks when she went down with a leg injury.

"We packed up really good for the first mile," Hamilton said. "We just need to get better at packing so we can beat some people."

Grosse led the team, finishing in 16th place with a time of 23:49. She was followed by sophomore Dia

McKee in 25th place with a time of 24:22, Hamilton in 39th place with a time of 25:20, freshman Julie Toeppen in 49th place with a time of 25:52, and Betsy Lee in 53rd place with a time of 26:06.

The 'Cats feel like they can improve in time for regionals in two weeks in Commerce, Texas.

"(The conference meet) gives us a good outlook of how the other schools will perform," Grosse said. "If we pack in tightly, we can beat some more teams."

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Northwest gets blanked versus Winona

second half. They outshot the Warriors 10 to four in the first half. They had a total of 17 shots.

"(We were) just unfortunate on finishing," Cross said. "We went to attack, and we actually saw the best position soccer we've had all year."

Freshmen Beth Gutschenritter and Emily Perkins had numerous chances to score. Perkins saw one of her shots in the second half hit off the crossbar, and Gutschenritter, almost right after that, kicked one right over the goal. Northwest junior Rory Okey had a shot stopped right at the end of the game.

"For our midfielders and forwards, as far as position was concerned, this was their best game," Cross said. "We were better at challenging, but we still need to

challenge for every 50-50 ball."

For the third time this season, the soccer team has been held scoreless in two straight games. The last time they scored was against Central Missouri State University on Oct. 17.

The team plays at 2 p.m. Saturday and at 1 p.m. Sunday at Bearcat Pitch against Southwest Baptist University and Truman State University, respectively. They will wrap up a five-game homestand before going on the road on Nov. 5 against Missouri Southern State University to end the season.

"(We need to put) players in situations when they play against a team like Southwest Baptist and help them out and coach them to tell them where they're supposed to be, what they're supposed to do and how to deal with it," Cross said.

Bearcats take court in exhibition game

By COLE YOUNG
SPORTS EDITOR

The Northwest women's basketball team gets their first chance at live competition this Sunday when they face off against the St. Louis Goldstars.

The Bearcats are coming off their best season in 12 years and return essentially their entire team.

The Goldstars are a traveling team managed by Maryville resident Korena Sundell and have several players who are familiar to the MIAA, including former Missouri Western standout Nicole Lindsey.

Northwest head coach Gene Steinmeyer believes that even though things may not end up in his team's favor in the scoring column, this game will be a good experience for the squad.

"Right now, these girls think they are 10 feet tall and bulletproof,"

Steinmeyer said. "I think they will see they have some things to work on after Sunday."

The team has reason to be confident this season. This is the first year in Steinmeyer's recent memory that he has not had a key player out with an injury.

One of the things he feels that the team will improve this season is their field goal percentage.

"We're shooting the ball a lot better, than in the last four years," Steinmeyer said.

Even after being happy with his team's shooting, he said there is definitely room for improvement on the defensive end.

"I'm not happy with the way we are playing defense," Steinmeyer said. "Right now, we have to outscore teams and not stop them, and we have to change that. That mentality has to change."

Tip-off is set for 1 p.m.

Bearcats fall to Pitt State in three straight on Senior Night

By COLE YOUNG
SPORTS EDITOR

The Northwest volleyball team finished their home schedule the same way it started: with a loss.

Even with the same result, it did not look like the same squad that hit the floor at the beginning of the year.

Wednesday night, the Bearcats fell to No. 18 Pittsburg State University 23-30, 20-30, 25-30. Staying that close with a team of the Gorillas' caliber spoke volumes according to head coach Lori Dejongh-Slight.

The Gorillas improved their record to 23-5.

"To be 4-26 and to play the way we did, they have played with

heart," Slight said of the team's effort. "We lost, but we did some good things. (The Gorillas) are a top 20 team in the nation, and when they get some things together, they could go a long ways into the postseason."

Northwest came out strong in the opening frame and had the game within three points late in the set.

Senior Leah Day tied with hard-hitting freshman Mackenzie Heston for the most kills for the Bearcats with 10.

"Mackenzie Heston came in and pounded the ball, and she is only a freshman," Slight said. "We have some good things coming. Leah Day came in and stepped up tonight and played well."

Despite dropping the first two sets, the Bearcats came out and showed signs of promise in the third game.

After jumping out to a 3-1 lead, the 'Cats kept up with the Gorillas and, at one point, held a 14-10 lead.

Pittsburg eventually caught the Bearcats at 19-19 and pulled away to take the 25-30 win.

"Usually, by game three, we are like 'Oh, we're in the same slump again,'" Slight said. "Tonight, we



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Your Man lauds wild world of porn

Okay, so Your Man has some issues. I'm sitting here in my friend's residence hall room, watching a perfectly, er, harmless movie, when the resident assistant comes by and says that the neighbors are complaining about the moaning coming from the room. So maybe the movie was a little loud...who's business is it to tell us what kind of television we can watch? So what if my idol is Larry Flynt?

I mean, really, people. You know everyone watches it. You know everyone reads it. It's just good old fashioned fun. (Come on, all you uptight hoity toity girls...we know you get your kicks somehow.) Even the most prudish of the feminine type sit down and read it religiously at least once a month. That's right, kids. I'm talking about porn.

So maybe not everyone participates on purpose. It may pop up on your computer screen when you try to check your e-mail. Or it's probably in your e-mail. So, the firewall blocks you from chatting, but you can still get a little porn action online when you get bored in your room. My biggest question: If you are not partaking in the glorious world of porn, what are you doing? It really is everywhere!

So, all of you chicks out there who think you don't read porn, what exactly do you call *Cosmopolitan* and *Glamour*? Come on,



THE STROLLER

any magazine that features pullout sections of Kama Sutra isn't your innocent little publication. And what about the "Guy Without His Shirt" featured every month? (Hey, give me a break...I have sisters.) What's the difference between reading it in *Cosmopolitan* and looking at pictures of it in *Playboy*? The only difference is that there are more words in *Cosmo*. Hey, who needs words? Pictures are good enough for me!

Hey, if you say you don't watch porn, then I guess you don't own a television. Even Disney incorporates porn. (Okay, so maybe that's an urban legend...you can check out the front of the old box of "The Little Mermaid.") And don't even try to tell me that you haven't seen it on HBO or Skinemax. Ever watch the Discovery

Channel? Ha! Gortcha! Barnyard porn. What's the difference between two lions and two humans? It's still sex, and you still watch it because, for some strange reason, you can't not watch it. MTV? I don't think I even need to explain. Give me a break. "Real World"? "Road Rules"? Who's not having sex on MTV? If you lived in a Winnebago with six other people, you would be getting your groove on, too. Even "Sesame Street" has porn. What about the whole Bert and Ernie scandal?

You know what I'm talking about.

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"Good night, Ernie."

"Who's your daddy, Bert?"

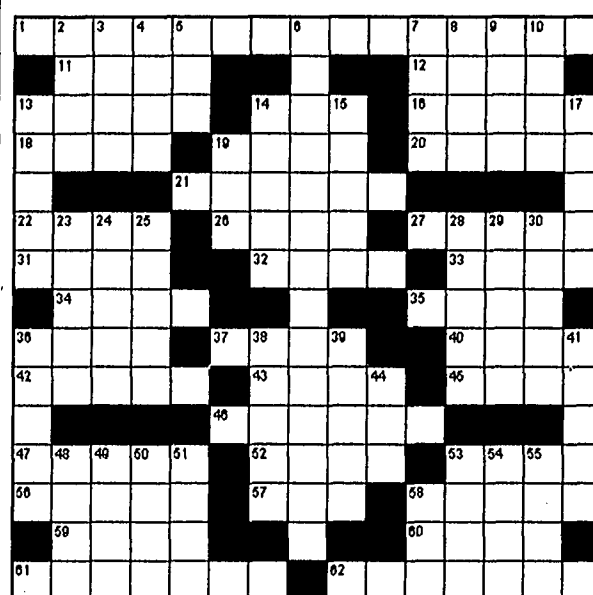
"You're my daddy, Ernie."

Even people in high places get it on in not so square offices with people who aren't so much their wives.

So, don't even try to deny that you like porn. We all love it. Some much more than others. So big deal if the neighbors didn't like our movie. They were probably jealous because we paid the extra money for the one where the guys don't have mullets. Get over it, make some popcorn, and settle down for a little fun with the lube...I mean tube.

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Halloween Facts:

■ Director John Carpenter's "Halloween" (1978) was made on a shoestring budget, so there was no money for elaborate masks and costumes. Necessity forced the crew to go to a costume store and buy a William Shatner mask from the movie "The Devil's Rain." They then painted it white and teased out the hair.

■ In the United States, about 8 percent of pet owners dress their pets in costumes at Halloween.

■ In Sandusky, Ohio, older teenagers looking for goodies at Halloween risk breaking the law. A 1995 city ordinance outlawed trick or treating by anyone older than age 14.

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